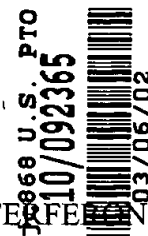


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  - ☐ The listed references were cited in the enclosed International Search Report in a counterpart foreign application.
  - ☐ The "concise explanation" requirement (non-English references) for reference(s) ☐ under 37 CFR 1.98(a)(3) is satisfied by:
    - ☐ the explanation provided on the attached sheet.
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    - ☐ submission of the enclosed International Search Report.
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    - ☐ the enclosed English language abstract.
- ☐ Applicant requests that the following non-published pending applications be considered:

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